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Dutch to intensify fight against roadside bombs

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The Dutch defence ministry says it will put more resources into preventing people falling victim to roadside bombs in Afghanistan. A team of experts created last year will receive an additional 78 million euros to intensify its intelligence-gathering efforts.

The defence ministry wants to know more about who makes the roadside bombs and how they are funded. A laboratory will be set up for the technical investigation of roadside bombs. Eight Dutch soldiers have been killed in Afghanistan by roadside bombs. The explosive devices also cause many casualties among the civilian population and among aid workers.

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